

employed in public and social service positions, and volunteer their own time to improve the lives of the less fortunate. Helen is now the proud grandmother of Zane, the son of her daughter Alisa and her husband BJ, and takes great joy in the time they spend together.

Helen has always balanced the turmoil of parenting teenagers with that of politics. She currently serves on the Board of the Children's Action Alliance, an advocacy group for children; volunteers with the Primavera Foundation for the homeless; and is on the executive council of the University of Arizona Retirees Association (UARA). Penelope Jacks, the Director of the Children's Action Alliance and a longtime friend and colleague of Helen's, reminisced about first meeting and working with Helen. "[I] learned who were the good guys easy, because all the good guys were Helen's friends. Together we sorted through all kinds of cases, taking turns holding my new baby, chatting, and finding how much we had in common. Our lives have seen many changes since we first met, but Helen is my first and most enduring friend in Arizona." Helen has won numerous awards and recognition for her amazing commitment to social and civil rights causes: the YWCA's Woman on the Move Achievement Award, a place in the Women's Studies Advisory Council (WOSAC) of the University of Arizona's Department of Women's Plaza of Honor, and awards from the City of Tucson's Office of the Mayor in 1981 and 1989.

As Helen turns 80 this year, her children and friends look forward to her next step in life. She is a woman who lives life to the fullest and considers nothing impossible. She is always open to new challenges. Helen Mautner has been an asset to Tucson and the State of Arizona, working tirelessly for her causes, preferring to enjoy the fruit of her labors without seeking public recognition. For these great accomplishments and in honor of her passion and dedication to all citizens rights, and on behalf of her work for the marginalized in society, we recognize Helen Mautner today.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING
UNION HOSPITAL FOR BEING
NAMED THE WINNER OF THE
HEALTHGRADES MEDICINE
AWARD FOR 2010

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 2010

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker,

Whereas, Union Hospital has served the people of the Tuscarawas Valley by providing critical health services; and

Whereas, Union Hospital is integral to the health and well-being of the Tuscarawas Valley; and

Whereas, every year, more than 40,000 local residents rely upon Union Hospital for emergency care; and

Whereas, Union Hospital is rated by HealthGrades as among the top five percent of all hospitals in the United States and achieved HealthGrades' top five star rating for emergency medicine; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that on behalf of the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Union Hospital for being named winner of the HealthGrades Emergency Medicine Award for 2010.

RECOGNIZING 50TH ANNIVERSARY
OF UNITED STATES-JAPAN
TREATY OF MUTUAL COOPERATION
AND SECURITY

SPEECH OF

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2010

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Res. 1464, recognizing the 50th anniversary of the conclusion of the United States-Japan Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security and expressing appreciation to the Government of Japan and the Japanese people for enhancing peace, prosperity, and security in the Asia-Pacific region. I thank Chairman ENI FALEOMAVAEGA and Chairwoman ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN for their leadership in developing this legislation. The treaty ushered in an era of greater political and economic cooperation between our two great nations. The treaty's signing in 1960 transformed the alliance between the United States and Japan and has allowed both nations to enjoy 50 years of increased economic prosperity and promoted mutual security interests for the Asia-Pacific region.

Since the enactment of the Treaty, the United States and Japan have become two of the world's largest and most productive economies as both nations have benefited from their trade relationship. Further, the longstanding forward presence of the U.S. Armed Forces in Japan has provided the deterrence capabilities necessary to ensure regional stability. Increased exchanges between our countries like the U.S.-Japan Legislative Exchange Program have fostered a greater understanding and respect between our two legislative bodies.

In the 21st century, this strong partnership with Japan will continue to evolve. Most evident is our security relationship which is undergoing change. The 2006 United States-Japan Roadmap for Realignment Implementation outlines major realignment of military forces in Japan. The establishment of a new Futenma Replacement Facility is the lynchpin to realigning 8,600 Marines and their dependents from Okinawa, Japan to Guam. The commitments of the Roadmap have since been reaffirmed by U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and former Japanese Foreign Minister Hirofumi Nakasone. The realignment of military forces underscores the continuing importance of the security relationship between our two nations. It also symbolizes the importance of more strategically aligning our forces in the Asia-Pacific region to meet current and emerging threats. The relationship between our two nations will only continue to grow. Beyond the realignment of forces I believe our two nations can partner to provide greater leadership in the region, more opportunities for green technology in the Pacific islands, jointly combat piracy on the high-seas, and continue to invest in this important part of the world.

For those reasons and more, I believe H. Res. 1464 recognizes and encourages these important aspects of U.S.-Japanese relations and will assist in continuing our mutually beneficial relationship for decades to come.

ALEXANDER PYATT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 2010

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Alexander Pyatt. Alexander is a very special young man who has proven the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by being selected to the People to People World Leadership Forum.

Since People to People International was founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956, the organization has been a leader in provide educational world tours. Acceptance into the World Leadership Forum demonstrates Alexander's academic excellence, community involvement, and leadership potential. This forum will help further provide Alexander the tools to become a leader for the next generation.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Alexander Pyatt for his acceptance into the People to People World Leadership Forum and for his efforts put forth in achieving this high distinction.

HONORING RON GETTELFINGER
FOR HIS LEADERSHIP OF THE
UAW

SPEECH OF

HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2010

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, Ron Gettelfinger, a lifelong defender and advocate for workers' rights, retired last week as President of the United Auto Workers, UAW. From the start, working on the assembly line in 1964 at Ford Motors in Louisville, Kentucky, to his recent retirement as the UAW President, Ron has tirelessly fought for labor rights for the American worker. In addition, Ron has been willingly worked in a pragmatic fashion with the automobile industry, helping to stabilize business and labor relations.

Whether it's been pushing for health care reform, fair trade agreements, or collective bargaining rights, Ron has been a staunch and steadfast leader. Fighting hard against what the UAW has dubbed "the corporate global chase for the lowest wage which creates a race to the bottom that no workers, in any country, can win," Ron has been a galvanizing figure in workers' rights here in America and across the globe.

While Ron will surely be missed at the UAW, but the mark he has left there will continue to serve as a source of inspiration. I thank Ron Gettelfinger for his service to workers and to his country.